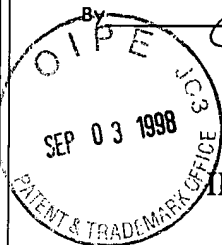


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In re application of:)

GRAY et al.)

Application No.: 08/892,695)

Filed: July 15, 1997)

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH
EXTENSION OF TIME WITH FEE
AUTHORIZATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorneys, hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 27, 1998 for two months, from June 26, 1998 to August 26, 1998. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Restriction Requirement accompanies this Petition.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee of \$400.00, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430.

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Please also charge any additional fees or credit overpayment in this application to the above
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Respectfully submitted,



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